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the records will show that I, George Syas, never did vote for it at the beginning, never at any time voted for it. I voted against it every time so I am not...all the Senators voted that way. I did not. I think there was 9 of us bright enough not to vote for it.

PRESIDENT: Senator George. Turn Senator Warner on. Senator Warner. I can't stand the way you are looking at me. Say what you have to say.

SENATOR WARNER: All I have to say is, George, you weren't listening again. I, also, was one of the 9 so I knew that everybody did not and that is exactly what I said. Many of you, I said, not all.

PRESIDENT: Senator George.

SENATOR GEORGE: May I now interrupt this. Mr. President, members of this body, I am somewhat dismayed over the procedure. Before we even got this Resolution on our desks here, three Senators already had left for California. I sincerely hope that they have parachutes because, if we vote down this Resolution, I want them to jump out and walk back and I want the rest of the money from the airline.

PRESIDENT: Senator Barnett.

SENATOR BARNETT: I have got a question from the Senator from the north side of town on the west end, Senator Simpson. I hope you,...would you answer it or not. If you don't want to I will go to somebody else. The only question I have got, is what time did the plane take off? What time is there flight? Do you know? Do you have that information?

SENATOR SIMPSON: Yes, I just stalled just long enough. They are in the air.

SENATOR BARNETT: I thought you probably did.

SENATOR SIMPSON: They went in the air nine minutes ago.

SENATOR BARNETT: I figured you did that. Then let me ask you a question. What happens if we defeat this Resolution? Are we going to give them parachutes, like Senator George said?

SENATOR SIMPSON: I think it really doesn't make a lot of difference to me, what you do with the Resolution.

SENATOR BARNETT: That's what I thought. Thank you.

PRESIDENT: Senator Stoney.

SENATOR STONEY: Mr. President, members of the Legislature, I believe that Senator Simpson answered my question. I am just...I am very concerned that the Executive Board, and I would image that they are the ones that authorized this trip, would do so without having answered so many questions that are unanswered. My only suggestion was going to be that if they had not left that we adopt a motion that they be stopped at the airport prior to departing but, evidently, as Senator Simpson said, he stalled long enough so that they are in the air. I think it is unfortunate.